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Dear Hal,

A note, only, to keep in touch...and to mention a few things in passing. We saw Pyne's show of August 4th and thought you presented yourself very well indeed. I sometimes wonder, though, whether or not you really gain anything by appearing in such motley company: a parade of caricatures, generally, including Pyne himself. Eh?


I understand Shaw carrying his complaint to the Supreme Court... further delaying (or possibly defeating?) Garrison's plans for a trial. Also, the Epstein article hammering Garrison in the July 13th New Yorker a bit disconcerting...what did you make of it? Too, while I'm thinking of N.O., did you have a chance to talk with McAuliffe?

Note: The most asinine book yet: John Sparrow, After the Assassination.

Steppenwolf Three (in ms.) now assembled and should be on its way to printer in London soon. New work, plus translations from German, Russian and even Old English, and an intelligent article on Kenneth Patchen's prose. I'll send a copy along to you as soon as we have it.

So.....how are ya?

Best personal regards,


Philip Boatright